## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The close of the year is attended with unusual stringency in the money market, more so than was nontemplated even by the great majority of those the tooked for activity with the general closing up accounts on the part of business men and the prearation of the banks for the quarterly statement, he bank to-day were close almost to niggardliness, nd loaned with a stinted hand. The general desire and paned with a state hand. The general desire to appear as favorably as possible in the statement fiduces contraction, which is rendered extreme by the flow of greenbacks to the South to pay for the cotton, which is coming to the seaport cities in large ies. The exchanges with the West are either ta standstill or will soon turn this way, all the money requisite in that direction having been trans-mitted. The relief from this mitted. The relief from this quarter need not be countet upon, nor can any hope be derived from the remittances of country anks to this city to earn the prevailing high rates of interest. In fact, many of these latter institutions are taking up their balances to use in making their quarterly statements, so that the loss this way fully fisets the receipts from those seeking better interest for their surplus funds. The money crisis of November last has already demonstrated the fact that the needs of the metropolis are too great to be suppiled from outside sources. The loose money of the country banks when united in one sum makes but a small item in comparison with the vast amounts which are employed in the financial circles of the olis. In the forenoon the market was, of course, without much sign. At noon, however, the pinch was severely feit, and considerable consternation was manifested, especially as one of the banks was reported to be embarrassed through losses arising from discounting the paper of the firm which lately suspended. It is only just to say that this report was an exaggeration, the bank in question having proved its soundness at the Clearing House. Doubt ess it suffered losses, but not of an extent to impair its solvency. Extreme rates ere paid on call loans. The greater number of transactions were at seven per cent in gold. Upon indifferent collaterals or to weak houses commis sions as high as a quarter of one per cent were added. As high as a half of one per cent per day inferest was aske I in some instances-which is equal to 180 per cent per annum. The period of stringency reached its climax about two o'clock. So many were frightened at the prospect of still higher rates that they largely supplied themselves. The conse-quence was an easier feeling toward three o'clock, when balances were offering at seven per cent curreney rather than be carried over night without interest. There were rumors of a "locking up" of abundance of funds at the close shows that these stories had their foundation in the stringency of the middle of the day. The "bears" have not commenced their attack as yet. They are disposed, for the present, to assist the "buils" in inflating prices. Their turn will come by and by, when figures are at such a height that it will be a much more profitable enterprise to break the market. The fluctuations of to-day were the natural effects of tight money and the natural reactions of ascending prices. One feature of to-day is noteworthy-money was bid for and offered like stocks. After banking hours uneasiness was felt for to-morrow, and borrowers were around upon the street as late as five o'clock bidding or funds. As high as a quarter of one per cent per day interest-which is equivalent to about 90 per cent per annum-was bid for one sum after tha

Gold was without excitement and the transactions in it limited and dull. Up to the adjournment of the board the market was an exact repetition of yesterday. The price fluctuated between 134%, the opening price, and 135, the highest price. After three o'clock the market was hatamered by the "bears," and a limited amount was sold at 134%. The closing quotation at five o'clock was 134% a 134%. The carrying rate followed the course of the money mar-ket, the figures advancing to 14 per cent, 3/4 and 3-16 in the period of greatest stringency. The gross clearings were only \$38,154,000, the gold balances \$2,813,196 and the currency balances \$4,594,727. The steamer Westphalia took ont \$38,000

money, prices at the noon board being 3½ to 35 of from the closing prices of the previous evening. Had the speculative investment been larger the result might have been a panic in this branch of Wall street business; but holders are, in a great measure, urchasers for cash, desirous of earning the gold inrest, and their possession was not easily weakened. The market closed firm at the decline with the following quotations:-United States sixes, 1881, registered. 108% a 109%; do., coupon, 114% a 114%; 5-20's, registered, 105% a 106; do., coupon, 1882, 110% a 110%; do., a 107%; do., 1865, 107% a 108; do., new 1865, 110% a 110%; do., 1867, 110% a 110%; do., 1868, 110% a 111%; 10-40's, registered, 102% a 103; do., oupon, 105% a 103%; currency bonds, 99 a 99%.

The same influence was severely felt in the market particularly weak on account of the silence of the State authorities as to the payment of the interest. ent on this subject creates a feeling of apprehension that the State is not ready to fulfil its engagements. At the close the following quora-tions prevailed:—North Carolina sixes, ex coupon, 62% a 63; do., new, 60% a 61; Tennessee sixes, ex coupon, 69 a 70; do., new, 69 bid; Virginia sixes, ex coupon, 55% a 56; do., new, 56 a 57; Louisiana sixes, old, 69 a 70; do., leyee, 60 a 61; Missouri sixes, 90

### a 92. Foreign exchange was barely steady at previously quoted rates.

great strength, despite the condition of the money market. The "bulls" made a desperate fight all day, and prevented a panic which seemed inevitable about half-past one o'clock, when the pinch was greatest. A good deal of stock was turned for cash, but the sales were not numerous enough to break the market. Prices yielded under the great pressure, but recovered easily. Those who are "long" stocks just now are seemingly determined to pay all sorts of interest for carrying over the gap to the 2d statement will then have been rendered, and they calculate upon a large advance in prices. The bears" are remarkably quiet, and seilers' options are few and far between. It may be that they are convinced by the "buil' logic that the stringency cannot last over this week, and are equently afraid to make a venture in such a periods At the beginning of business New York Central opened in the vicinity of 156% and rose to 157% in the interval after the first regular board. In the period of greatest stringency it declined to 155% a 156, and rose again with the re-moval of the pressure in the afternoon. The most time sold at 34%, closing finally at the quotation 34% a 34%. Fort Wayne and Rock Island were very strong, the former advancing to 113% a 113% and the latter touching 118. The cliques are actively at work despite all the untoward circumstances which beset their operations, and are defiantly throwing down the gauntlet of frequent buyers' options. The quotations of the final session of the open board were as follows:-Cumberland, 41; Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express, 25% a 25%; American Express, 40% a 43; Adams Express, 43 % a 48%; United States Express, 46; Merchants' Union Express, 15% a 15%; Quickstiver, 22% a 23; Canton, 48% a 49%; Mariposa, 5 bid; do. preferred, 1936 bid; Pacific Mail, 117% a 117%; Western Union Telegraph, 33% a 33%; New York Central, 156% a 157%; Erie, 39 a 39%; do. preferred, 63% a 64%; Hudson River, 133% a 134; Reading, 97% a 98; Chicago and Alton, 146 bld; Bankers and Brokers', 100 bld; Alton and Terre Haute, 30 a 39; do. preferred, 61 bid; Wabash, 58 a 58%; do. preferred, 60 bid; Milwaukee and St. Paul. 67% a 67%; do. preferred, 85% a 86%; Port Wayne, 113 a 113%; Ohio and Mississippi, 34% a 34%; Micaigan Southern, 87 a 87%; Illinois Central, 140 a 143; Pittsburg, 83 a 83%; Toledo, 99% 90%; Rock Island, 117% a 117%; Northwestern, 70% a 79%; do. preferred, 82 a 82%; Boston Water Power, 14.

The following were the closing quotations on the street at haif-past five o'clock:—New York Central, 150% a 150%; Rock Island, 117% a 117%; Fort Wayne. 113 a 113%; Ohio and Mississippi, 34% a 34%; Northwestern, 19 a 79%; Northwestern preferred, 81% a 82: St. Paul preferred, 851, a 86; Michigan South-

ern, 86½ a 86½; Erie. 38½ a 39; Pittsbm. 83 a 183 ½. The receipts for customs and the receipts, payments and balances at the Sub-Treasury in this city for the expired portion of the week have been as

Custom House, Receipts, Receipts, Fayments, Balanness, Dec. 28. \$222,647 \$1,026,187 \$1,449,092 \$90,053,930 Dec. 29. 144,000 1,162,304 1,279,039 89,937,195 The value of exports, exclusive of specie, from New York to foreign ports for the week ending today was \$3,023,509, against \$3,666,217 for the week

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Annexed is a comparative exhibit of the last two

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Deposits 35	2,817,306	31,984,43	9 Dec.	882,867
Circulation 10	594,091	10,596,63	4 Inc	1.943
Clearings 84	267,019	27,883,73	7 Dec.	6,433,282
Balances 3	,234,243	2,552,48	3 Dec.	681,760
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ments:—
The exhibit of averages shows that the banks are preparing for their January quarterly statement, to be made to the Comptroller of the Currency. There is a further contraction in specie, deposits and legal tenders. The whole movement is one of contraction. While the banks have lessened their demand liabilities, exclusive of the amount due to banks, \$880,724, they have brought down their cash resources only \$73,782. The banks are, in their reserve, relatively stronger than they were last week. The amount "due to banks" shows a very considerable increase, and aggregates about \$1,20,000 greater than the amount "due from banks." The business at bank has been light, showing a reduction of clearings during the week of \$6.433,252, and the balances show a decrease of \$681,760.

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## COMMERCIAL REPORT.

BULLDING MATERIALS.—For Eastern sprace the market was doll, but prices were unchanged, ranging at from \$19 a \$21; arrivals moderate, but stock fair. Laths were quiet, but steady at \$3, while lime was steady at \$1 60 for common and \$2 for imp. Rosendale cement was firm at \$250. Bricks were also firm at the following quotations:—Long Island, \$11 a \$12; Croion, \$18 a \$22; New Jersey, \$9 a \$11 50; North river, \$11 a \$18 50 and Philadelphia front, \$45 a \$50. Believe at the standard of the stand

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COOPERAGE STOCK was slow of sale, but unchanged in cale. We quote:—Segar shooks, 38-inch heads, \$5 a \$3 is; lo., 35-inch heads, \$5 a \$2 50; a \$2 55; molasses do., 32-inch seads, \$2 75 a \$2 55; run do., \$5 50; pipe do., \$6 50 a \$7; oor do., \$8 50; a \$7; oor do., \$8 50; green hoops, 14 feet, \$55 a \$65; do., 12 feet, \$48

hearis, \$2.75 a \$2.55; rium do., \$5.50; pipe do., \$6.50 a \$7.50 to do., \$80; green hoops, 14 feet, \$65 a \$56; do., 12 feet, \$48 a \$62.

DEROS AND DYRA.—The market was dull for almost all klods. Sales 75 tons soda ash at 21c., gold; 75 drums caustic soda at \$45; a \$62. c., 33 tons sal aoda at \$1.675 a \$1.75 do., chiefly at the inside price; 250 kegs blearbonate soda at \$2.50, do., and 100 casks blenching powders at \$2.50, do.

DYRWOOTHS.—Logwood was in demand, but business was restricted by the small stock. Prices were nominal at \$50, gold, for Jamaics, and 25c. a 29c., currency, for \$3. Domingo.

PLOUR AND GRAIN.—Receipts, \$188 bbls. flour, \$265 bbls. and 1,549 bags corn meal, \$62 bushels wheat, \$2.436 do. corn. (966 do. cas and 1,100 do. mall. The flour market was very dull again to-day; but we noticed the prevalence of some export demand, and one or two kinds of extra State were taken at a slight concession from previous quotations of the same brands; pet we do not quote any general reduction, though to sell to any extent a moderate concession would have to be made. Sellers manifest no disposition to force sales, however, and lines are generally held at full figures. California flour remains dull and nominal and is hard to move at any price. The sales were about formes were unsatisfactory. The sales were \$50 bbls. Rys flour continued in light demand and prices were heavy; asless 150 bbls. Corn meal was in moderate demand at about former prices, the sales being 700 bbls, at \$5.50 for Brandywine and choice Western. We quote:—

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Fish.— Bry cod were in small supply, and being in good demann were baller. There were sales of about 6ad quintais theorye's at 45. We quote - George a 55 a 52 25; Bank \$7 25

A \$7 50. Mackerel were held with firmness owing to the light stock. No. 1 bay were quoted at \$25 50; No. 1 shoal, \$21 50 a \$22; No. 2 do. \$15 50 a \$17. Targo No. 3 \$12 50 a \$13; Ho a \$22; No. 2 do. \$16 50 a \$17. Targo No. 3 \$12 50 a \$13; medium do. \$12 50 a \$13. So a hearing were dull and prices still nominal at 25c. a due, for scaled, and 25c. for No. 1. In Labrador, plekied herring, the business was large, about 7,500 boves were disposed of on private terms. Plokied cod were steady at \$5 50 and pickled scale \$4 50.

GUNNIES continued to rule dull and nominal at 15%c. a 17%c, for bags and 18c. a 19c. for cloth.

HOPS.—The business was small, the demand still being confined to the immediate wants of consumers, but prices were nuchanged. We quote.—Prime and choice grades at 15c. a 20c., fall to good, 15c. a 15c. inferior, Sc. a 10c.

HEMP.—We heard of no sales of moment of any description. We quote:—Manils, 11½c., gold; jud. 6/c., 45c., 45c., do.; sisal 9½c., a 29½c., do.; sisal 9½c., a 29½c., do.

HIDES.—The market was moderately active and prices were strong at our quotations appended. There were sales of \$2.00 Beneous Ayres at 25%c., gold; jud. 6/c) sampler extern, part at 12½c., contrancy, 1,000 Correntes, 25 lbs, 566 wet salted Teass and 300 dey Peras, on private terms. The stock is light, being only 54;200 hides, including 31,706 dry Ruenus Ayres, 2500 do. Meizean, 33,300 do. Rogota and Savanilla, 2,000 dry and salted Pernambneo, 15,500 do. do. Teass and Southern and 1,200 wet salted Para. We soute:—Dry hides, Buenca Ayres, 25 a 37 10s., 20c., gold; do., 20 a 25 lbs, 20c., a 21½c.; Contral American, 18 a 21 lbs, 18 c., a 22 dc.; Contral American, 18 a 21 lbs, 18 c., a 22 dc.; Matamoros and Moxican, 22 a 24 lbs., 18 a 21 lbs., 18 c., a 21 lbc., 18 c., a 18 lbc., 18 lbc., a 18 lbc., a 18 lbc., a 18 lbc., a 18 lb

Tara were sold at 50c. a 60c., and 52t buts. As Oreans at 71c. a 80c.

NAVAL STOLES,... Receipts, 100 bbls. spirits turpentine, 100 do, pitch and 2:0 do, tar. For the former the market was duil, but firm at 45-5c. a 45c. The only sales we heard of were 24 bbls. at 45-6c. In rosin, the business was again small, and prices were renerally heavy. Sales 250 bbls. No. 1 at 85 60 at 35 dbls. at 46-6c. at 46 25. See 10 at 25 dbls. As 25 dbls.

at 20 35. We quote:—Strenhed, \$2 35 a \$3 45. No. 2, \$2 50 a \$2 75; No. 1, \$3 a \$4 25; pair, \$4 50 a \$5 50; extra 6a, \$6 a \$2 75; coll. \$2 15; coll. \$3 45 a \$6 a \$5 50; extra 6a, \$6 a \$2 75; coll. \$3 15; coll. \$4 50 a \$6 50; extra 6a, \$6 a \$6 75; coll. \$4 15; coll. \$4 50 a \$6 50; extra 6a, \$6 a \$6 0.

OH.S.—Crude sperm was accady at \$1 75, at which there were sales of about 2,30 bbls. for export. Unbleached winter sperm was quoted at \$2 a \$2 05; coude whale \$3, bleached winter do. \$1 16. Lard was steady at \$1 20 a \$1 35 or Nos. 1 and 2 and \$1 50 a \$1 29; for prime winter; sales 56 bbla. of the latter at \$1 50. Linseed was quiet but steady at \$85, a \$1 30 in casts and bbla. City distilled red was dull and nominal at \$6, a \$90, and olive, \$2 25 a \$2 20.

Petrollem. Receipts, \$4,04 bbls. refued, \$56 96, crude, and \$6 do. naphtha. For crude, in bulk, the market was more active, but rather heavy. Sales were reported of \$1,75 bbls. at \$75,0. Refined was in improved demand and the market was a shade firmer, closing at about \$15,0. There were sales of 2,000 bbls. at 31c., and 1,000 do. at 3150. In \$6,000 bbls. at 31c., and 1,000 do. at 3150. In \$6,000 bbls. at 31c., and 1,000 do. at 3160. In \$90 bbls. A \$100 bbls. at \$100 do. at 3150. In \$100 do. for March at 3050, and \$0,000 do. from January to March (1,000 cach month at 30c.

Provisions.—Receipts, \$13 bbls. pork, 702 do. beef, \$11 packages cut meats; \$15 do. and 20 keeg lard, and \$60 do. at \$37 do. at \$100 do. from January to March (1,000 cach month at 30c.

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Rioz.—Carolina was quoted at 85gc. a 25gc.

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quotations appended. There were sales of 732 hhdz. at 104gc.

a 114gc. for Cuba and Porto Rice, and 154gc. for charited

Demarars also 1,000 boxes reported at 114gc. a 12gc. We

quote:—Cuba, inferior to common refining, 104gc. a 107gc;

fair to good do., 114gc. a 114gc.; fair to good

grocery, 114gc. a 12gc.; princ to cholee do., 124gc. at 12gcc.;

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SPELTER.—There were annult sales of Silesian at 50,c. a 50,c., pold.

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Jobbers' prices were:—\$2.75 a \$3.55 for Ashton's per sack, \$2.75 a \$2.55 for Markalal's and Worthington's 0., \$2.10 for Higgins', \$2.60 a \$2.65 for Evan's, Deans', \$c.; \$2.10 a \$2.50 for Higgins', \$2.60 a \$2.65 for Evan's, Deans', \$c.; \$2.10 a \$2.50 for Higgins', \$2.60 a \$2.65 for Furk Island per bushed.

Skitss.—Good were in moderate demand, at prices showing no change of moment. Sales 10 bales Mexican and 24 do. Ruenos Ayres on private terms. Of deer we heard of no sales, but prices were unchanged. We quote:—Good.—Tampleo, 57%c. per lb., gold; Malarnoros, \$2.5c. a 58c.; Vera Cruz, 58c.; Henons Ayres, 430c.; a 8c.; cerrar, 40c.; Curacoa, 47%c. a bl.; Cape, 47%c. a \$2.5c. Deer —Itondinga, 50c. per lb., gold; Vera Cura, 50c. a 50c.; Central American, 50c. a 52.5c.; San Juan, 42%c. a 50c.; Central American, 50c. a 52.5c.; San Juan, 42%c. a 50c.; Central American, 50c. a 52.5c.; San Juan, 42%c. a 50c.; Central American, 50c. a 50c.; 19 case the order prices were heavy. The sales were about 30,000 its., at He. a 11%c.

Tonacoo.—The bushess in all kinds was light, but prices were generally steady. The sales were—50 hids. Kentucky at Co. a 10%c.; 40 case the control of the control o

# THE RETURN OF JEFFERSON DAVIS.

A Test Point on the President's Amnesty. A Test Paint on the President's Amnesty.

[From the Alexandria (Va.) Gazette, Dec. 20.]

The Supreme Court reassembles early in January, and it is suggested that Mr. Davis return at once and be surrendered by his ball. He will then be committed to custody and a writ of habeas corpus will then be applied for to the Supreme Court and the discharge of the prisoner be asked for on the ground that the amnesty extended by the President absolves him from all liabilities, and letters have already been sent to him to England urging that he allow his case to be the test, in order to discover the true weight of the President's proclamation.

# FAILURE OF A BOSTON SHIPBUILDING FIRM.

FALURE OF A BOSTON SHIPPULIDING FRM.

[From the Boston Post, Dec. 28.]

The papera amexed to the petition filed in the United States District Court by McKay & Aldus, shipputiders, praying that they may be adjadged bankrupts, show that the real estate of the firm consists of the iron works, including the wharf, buildings and tools, on the corner of Maverick and Border streets, which are valued at \$494.647. This property is subject to three mortrages, one to the Lowell Institution for Savings for \$60,000, one to P. Adams Ames, as trustees for Page. Richardson & Co., the amount being uncertain, and one to John H. Flagier, amounting to \$75,000. The personal property, including the stock in trade in rough and in the process of construction, is valued at about \$175,000. The secured debts of the firm amount to about \$250,000. A long list of creditors unscented is given, and the indeptedness to them is a little more than \$250,000. There is also given a long list of employed, to the number of about \$400,000. Some of these claims are as low as ten dollars, and others reach the sum of \$450, but generally they do not exceed inty dollars.

### THE HILL MURDER.

The Twitchell Trial-Interesting Testimony of Medical Experts in Reference to the Bloodstained Clothes and Blood Marks—The Prisoner's Father on the Stand—How the Accused Bears Himself.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29, 1868,
The court reassembled at the usual hour this morning, Judges Browster and Ludlow on the bench. The fact that the defence had yesterday subposnaed, and, on her refusal to obey the order, had been compelled to issue an attachment against Mary Camp-bell, Twitchell's servant girl, who, according to the prosecution, interrupted the accused in the midst of his alleged bloody work on the night of the 22d of November, had the effect of drawing in and about the Court House a larger crowd of spectators than there has been herytofore on any one day during the trial. It was morally supposed, in fact believed, from certain intimations thrown out by the prisoner's counsel last evening, that the re-examination of the woman would elicit evidence of a

amination of the woman would elicit evidence of a very-damning character against somebody other than the prisoner; but she was not called, owing to the length of the medical bestmony.

The father of the prisonet was put upon the stand to-day, as was Dr. Gross and hanny professors at the Jefferson Medical College. The testimony of these gentlemon in regard to yoring Twitchell's bloodstained clothes and the weapan which is supposed to have caused Mrs. Hill's death will be found to be the most interesting and probaby the most important which has been given since the trial was begun. The prisoner still retains his look of indifference during the proceedings, although he occasionally gives indications of anxiety and frequiness when a "tough" witness for the defence a being rather more than tenderly handed over the coals of cross-examination by the prosecution.

The first witness called was the father of the prisoner.

oner. George S. Twitchell, Sr., sworn—I am Lither of the George S. Twitchell, Sr., sworn—I am Lither of the George S. Twitchell, Sr., sworn—I am Lither of the George S. Twitchell, Sr., sworn—I am Lither of the

George S. Twitchell, Sr., sworn—I am lather of the prisonest; I will be sixty-five years of age the 1stn day of April next; I was living at the time of this murder in Thirteenth street, near Vine, I am a widower; my wife died some sixteen or reventeen years ago; she died in my own house in Teach street, opposite Jefferson College; she never was inhane.

District Attorney—I do not see what the heanity of the witness' late wife has got to do with the case, without the counse intend to prove something by it which they have not as yet foreshadowed.

Counsel for defence—I ask these preliminary juestions in order that the jury may know exactly who the witness is.

The Court remarked that the counsel should not go cutside of the case and bring up subjects which had no relation to it whatever. The Court sustained the objection, when the witness resumed:—

I lived in Thirteenth street, just below Vine, at the time when Mrs. itill was killed; a messenger cann to me the night of the murder, about eleven o'clock; he woke the old laily who keeps the boarding house and she woke me; he to'd me that Mrs. Itill had been hadly hurl, and afterwards he told me she had been murdered and of the arrest of my son; I was so struck with the news that I scarcely knew what I was doing; I went to the itill house and remained there till five o'clock; I saw Mrs. Twitchell there and she asked me to go and see her husband at the station house; they refused to allow me to see him that night and I saw him the next morning; I remained there util five yellock; is she handed then to me either in the house out some jewelry belonging to Mrs. Twitchell; she handed then to me either in the honse or in the carriage going to the station house; they refused to allow me to see him that night and I saw him the next morning; I remained there util five yellock; is he what I was doined to again the proper of the continuence of the lower of the continuence of the pris

Counsel for defence-Now explain, Doctor, your experiment.
District Attorney—I object. The poker used was not the one which was used on Mrs. Hill's head, and the head experimented upon was not that of the

the head experimented upon was not that of deceased.

Connsel for defence—We have anticipated the objection by having evidence to show that the iron of the poker used by Dr. Gross is of the same kind as that of the poker found corner Vine and Tenth streets. We will also show that it was impossible for the wound found on Mrs. Hill's head to have been inflicted by that poker. Dr. Shapleigh said it was possible, and we think we can by an expert show that it was impossible.

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Judge Ladiow concurred with Judge Brewster in this opinion.

Withese resulting the wounds to found on Mrs. Hill's head, I do not think that this or any poker of the same material could nave been struck over four times on any thin or thick' human skull without producing some change in the poker, and I think it might happen that a poker used in producing the wounds to Mrs. Hill's head, I do not think that this or any poker of the same material could nave been struck over four times on any thin or thick' human skull without producing some change in the poker, and I think it might happen that a poker used in producing the wounds on Mrs. Hill's head.

F. F. Many sworn—I am a physician, residing at No. 1,005 Wainut street, a surgeon of the change of the body from the surface, might escape sprinkled soots of blood; having read the testimony concerning the wounds on the coal it examined carening; I have examined only the position of the prisoner's read the evidence in this capacity is a surface of the Phinadelphia Hospital and the surface of the Phinadelphia Hospital and the surface of the Phina

ering of the temperature of the blood in a body would retard its congulation, and the greater the cold the greater the congulation, and if the blood freezes at once it will not congulate until it thaws, and then it will congulate much more loosely and more slowly than it would have done had it not been frozen; I have examined the stains of blood on the clothing of the prisoner; if the blood of Mrs. Hill was not congulated at the time Twitelell carried her in, if that on the garment on which the blood was not congulated, if the bedy was made hoavier to carry by the absence of rigidity, then it would be quite possible to explain all the blood on the garments in question by his having so shoot in the blood, so carried the body, and the diduced shots could be accounted for by his halts on the head.

The court here adjourned to to-morrow morning, at half-past ten o'clock.

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subject in his State, and he hoped that the result would be of the greatest beneult to the people, the poor especially.

Mr. Liviagstone Stone, the eminent salmon breeder of New Hampshire, offered some remarks on fish culture, and related his experience in New Branswick in endeavoring to obtain salmon shewn for the New England rivers. The greatest prejudice existed down there against the work of obtaining fish spawn for stocking American waters. Eight nets that he used in catching salmon in the Miramich river were confiscated, and every possible obstacle was put in their way by the local authorities. Thirty-two thousand salmon were nevertheless brought to the United States and safely deposited. The Miramichi swarmed with salmon, but owing to the stupid prejudice of the people there against taking them for the purpose of conveying the spawn to the New England rivers very little could be done there. Everything is in proper running order now at Miramichi for the taking of salmon spawn, and there is every prospect next year of their being able, if the consent of the Canadian government is obtained in the meantime, to bring two or three million of salmon to our rivers.

Several other gentlemen addressed the meeting, and Colonel Lyman then moved that a committee of two be appointed to draw up resolutions expressive of the views of the commissioners on improvements in coast and inlang fishing, which was carried, and the meeting that adjourned.

Tammany General Committee. This committee met last evening in fammany Hall, William M. Tweed in the chair and Justice Owing to the regular secretaries not having arrived, the reading of the minutes and the call of the roll were dispensed with. A report from the Committee on Organization, of which committee Charles G. Cornell is charman, was read. It fixes the evening of Thursday, the 21st inst., as the time for holding the primary elections for delegates to the General Committee, the Young Men's General Committee and the several ward committees for 1869, and provides that the General Committee shall meet at Tammany Hall on the evening of Saturday, the 2d proxime: the various ward committees at their respective headquarters, on the evening of Friday, the 8th proximo, and the Young Men's General Committee at their headquarters, on the evening of Saturday, the 9th proximo, and the Young Men's General Committee at their headquarters, on the evening of Saturday, the 9th proximo, for organization. The report was accepted.

Mr. WILLIAM HITCHMAN, one of the secretaries, read a list of the polling places where the primaries are to be held and the names of the various inspectors of election.

The list, as read, was accepted by the committee and after resolving that the call for the primaries, including the list of polling places and inspectors names, should be published on Thursday (to-morrow) morning in the Hebald, the committee adjourned. were dispensed with. A report from the Committee

In accordance with the calls issued at the last meetings of the Union republican general committees, primary elections were held last evening in the various assembly districts by the district associations

of both wings of the republican party, to elect officers and delegates to the general committees for the year 1869.

The radical republicans of the Second Assembly district held their election last night to determine the officers and organization of their portion of the party, at No. I Centre street. Two tickets, headed respectively by Theodore C. Williams and Denis Shea, were run, and the voting and the feelings of the voters were unusually excited. When the inspectors announced that it was nine P. M. (the hour for closing the polla) a rush was made for the ballot boxes, and some excited individual attempted to turn out the lights. Both efforts were unsuccessful, owing to the confusion a pistol was fired (probably with a blank charge, since no one was furt) up the narrow stairs leading to the balloting room. For a few moments there was great confusion and quite a fair chance for a fight; but the presence of the large body of police put a damper on the prospect, and it ended in a mutual recrimination. The vote as announced finally was 126 for the Williams ticket and 15 for the opposing ticket. 

# NAVAL INTELLIGENCE.

The following named officers have been detached from the Shamokin:-Commander D. L. Braine, leutenant Commander A. N. Mitchell, Lieutenant S. H. Baker, Master W. H. Elliot, Surgeon H. M. Welles, Second Assistant Engineers H. D. Selman, L. R. Robinson and R. W. Benson, and awaiting orders.

Surgeon Daniel Egbert and George Maulsby are ordered to the Retiring Board at Philadelphin.

Surgeon Edward Shippen is ordered from the Retiring Board to the Naval Academy.

GENERAL MOTES.

# Grant's and Johnson's children don't slide on the

same cellar, door. From "Dan (ville) to Beer-shebang" is now the cry of travellers across the Plains. Bowies, of the Springfield Republican, has de-clined a public dinner, tendered him by Governor Bullock and other distinguished citizens of Boston.

# MAILS FOR THE PACIFIC.

The steamship Arizona will sail from this port on Thursday for Aspinwall. The mails for Central America and the South Pacific will close at half-past ten o'clock in the

will be ready at half-past nine in the morning. Single copies, in wrappers for mailing, six cents.

# MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

Married.

Blackman—Townsend.—On Tuesday December 29, at the residence of the bride's mother, by the Rev. Dr. Thompson, of the Broadway Tabernacle, Captain F. H. Blackman to Miss Ida M. Townsend, both of this city. No cards.

Forshay—Colwell.—On Monday evening, December 28, at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. Dr. Hartley, David B. Forshay to Miss Lottie L., youngest daughter of Caleb C. Colwell, ail of this city.

Lockrow—Adee.—On Monday, December 21, at Christ church, Fifth avenue, by the Rev. Dr. Ewer, Dr. Arthur V. B. Lockrow, to Emilie L. W. Adee, both of this city.

Many—Kinner,—On Christmas morning, by the Rev. John E. Cookman, of the Bedford street Methodist Episcopal church, Mr. Henry L. Mank to Miss Mary E. Kinner, both of this city.

Merwin—Bryden,—On Christmas Day, in the Presbyterian church of West Hoboken, N. J., by the Rev. James C. Egbert, A. Banter Merwin, of Newark, to Kate J. Bryden, of Hudson City. No cards. Sedowick—Chadrsy.—On Wednesday, December 25, in the Macdougal street Emplist church, New York, by the Rev. William Reid, pastor of the Church, O. Leroy Sedowick, of Brooklyn, to Mary A. Chadsey, third daughter of Dr. A. J. Chadsey, of the former place.

Setows—Ward,—In this city, on Tuesday, December 15, Mr. Charles Garnatt Stone, of Natchez, Miss., to Miss ber 15, Mr. Charles Garniert Stone, of Natchez, Miss., to Mrs. Florence Lee Wand, of Charleston,

Charleston and Cincinnati papers please copy.

TATIOR—STYMETS.—In this city, on Tuesday, be-cember 29, by Rev. Win. Reid, Mr. John Weslay TAYLOR to Miss MARY LOUISE STYMETS.

of East Broadway, on Thursday afternoon, at two ofclock.

DUNN.—On Monday, December 28, James Dunn, the beloved son of John and Mary Dunn, aged I year and to months.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to altend the funeral, this (\*\*\)dinesday afternoon, at one ofclock, from his late residence, 419 East Twellih street.

Dansy.—On Tuesday, December 29, Joseph Dandy, aged 9 months and 9 days.

The funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon, at one ofclock from the residence of his parents, No. 252 West Thirty-fills street.

Evens.—On Monday, December 28, Curnistina Evens, oldest daughter of John and Anna Evens, aged 2 years, a months and 16 days.

The relatives and friends of the multy are respectfully bytied to attend the funeral, this (Wednesday) afternoon, at half-past twelve o'clock, from St. Mark's church, Sixth street, between First and Second avenues.

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GARDNER.—On Monday, December 28, after a lin-gering filmoss. HENRY GAYDNER.

Notice of funeral in Thursday's paper.

GUNN.—On Monday, December 28, Mrs. ANN GUNN, wife of Funx Gunn, a matter of the parish of Clones, county Monaghan, freland, in the 46th year of her age.

age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, No. 78 Mulberry street, this (Wednesday) afternoon, at one o'clock.

HACKETT.—On Monday, December 28, Mrs. relict of John Hackett, a native

dence, No. 18 Mulberry street, this (Wednesday) afternoon, at one o'clock.

Hackett.—the Monday, December 28, Mrs.
Bridger Hackett, relict of John Hackett, a native of the parish of Tyhollen, county Monaghan, freiand, in the 50th year of her uge.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the foneral, from her late residence, No. 455 West Thirty, sinch street, between Naith and Tenth avenues, this (Wednesday) morning, at nine o'clock, to 8t. Michael's church, Thirty, second street, between Naith and Tenth avenues, where solema mass will be offered up for the repose of her soul, at ten o'clock, and thence to Caivary Ceneciery for interment.

Harmington,—On Nonday morning, December 28, John M. Harmington, Esq., counsellor-at-law, aged 35 years.

John M. Harkington, Esq., counsellor-at-law, agod 28 years.

His remains will be taken from corner of Twenty-third st. and avenue A, this (Wednesday) norming, at nine o'clock, to St. Andrew's Roman Catholic church, Duane street, where a solemn mass of requien will be offered for the repose of his soul, and thence to calvary Cemetery. His numerous friends and the members of the bar of this city are respectfully invited to attend.

Hackley,—In Monday, December 28, Hon. Aanon Hackley, in the 86th 'ear of his arc.
The relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral services, at St. Mark's church, this (Wednesday) afternoon, at three o'clock.

Jonas.—On Monday, December 28, William H., son of William and A. J. Jonas, aged 24 years, 6 months and 18 days.

The friends and relatives of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his parents, No. 12 King street, this (Wednesday) afternoon, at one o'clock.

KELIJINGER.—At Greenburg, N. Y., on Monday December 28, of typhoid fever, Sarah, reliet of De Witt C. Kellinger, aged 64 years.

Funeral services at St. John's church, Yonkers, this (Wednesday) afternoon, at half-past 2 o'clock. The friends and relatives are respectfully invited to at-

Witt C. Kellinger, aged 64 years.

Funeral services at St. John's church, Yonkers, this (Wednesday) afternoon, at half-past 2 o'clock. The friends and relatives are respectfully invites to attend without further notice. Hudson River Radicoad train leaves Thirtieth street at 1:30 P. M. Returning leaves Yonkers at 5:40 P. M.

Looram.—On Monday, December 28, Nicrolas Francis, the beloved son of Patrick and Ann Looram, aged 2 years and 8 menths.

The relatives and friends of the fundly are invited to attend the funeral, this (Wednesday) afternoon, at one o'clock, from his late residence, 599 First avenue.

Longon.—On Monday, December 28, at haif-past five P. M., after a short titness, thomas E. M. Longon, and 15 days.

The feneral will take place, from the residence of J. N. Longon, Yates avenue, near Myrthe avenue, Brooklyn, on Thursday afternoon, at one o'clock.

Many.—On Sunday, December 27, Mrs. Connecta Many.—On Sunday, December 27, Mrs. Connecta Many. Of New York, aged 74 years, and acquaintances of the family are requested to aftend ber funeral, this (Wednesday) afternoon, at two o'clock, from the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. C. Van Schoonhover, 87 Ninth avenue.

Matthews.—At Flatbash, on Monday, December 28, Emma, second daughter of William Matthews, aged 21 years.

The funeral will take place from St. Paul's church, aged 21 years.

AS, EMMA. Second daughter of William Matthews, aged 21 years.

The funeral will take place from St. Paul's church, Flathush, this (Wednesday) morning, at ten o'clock precisely.

Mitchell...—At St. Joseph, Mo., on Tuesday, December 22, Mary Hellers, wife of F. A. Mitchell.

McAvey.—In Williamsburg, on Monday, December 28, Della McAvey, wife of Gilbert McAvey, in the 42d year of her age.

The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence No. 276 Smith street, Williamsburg, on Thursday afternoon, at one o'clock.

McCullow.—On Monday, December 28, Rathert McCullow, widow of Michael McCullow, in the 5th year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral. on Thursday morning, at ten o'clock, from her late residence. No. 51 Monroe street; from thence to Calvary Cunetery for interment.

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McINTYRE.—On Tuesday, December 29, John A.

McINTYRE, only son of John and the late Elizabeth
McIntyre, aged 1 year, 8 months and 29 days.

The funeral will take place from the restrience of
his grandfather, Twenty-third street, near Pirich avenue, Brooklyn, this (Wednesday) afternoon, at these
o'clock.

mue, Brooklyn, this (Wednesday) afternoon, at the ce o'clock.

McMANES.—The members of Manhatlan Lodge, No. 62, F. and A. M., are requested to meet at the rooms of Hiram Lodge, No. 17, No. 23. Newark aremons, o'clock, for the purpose of paying the last tribute of respect to the memory of Joseph McManus, deceased. By order of WM. L. HARTSHORN, Master.

WM. T. WOODRUPP, Secretary.

O'BRIEN.—In Monday, December 28, Captain N. P. O'BRIEN.—In Monday of the McManus, in the 40th year of his age.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his father-in-law, Mr. Thomas Bramin, Tompkinsville, S. L. on Thursday morning, at ten o'clock. His remains with be taken to St. Peter's church, where a soieum lequieum mass will be offered for the repose of his soul.

OFFIRES.—AUGUSTA OTERS, the beloved wife of Coold Clause area of Systemal Linguist. OTTERS,-AUGUSTA OTTERS, the beloved wife of

Soul.

OTTRES.—AUGUSTA OTTRES, the beloved wife of Condt Otters, aged 45 years and 3 months.

The friends of the family and the members of Washington Lodge No. 21, F. and A. M. also the members of Roland Lodge No. 10, are respectivily invited to attend the funeral, on Thurstay after noon, at one o'clock, from her late residence, No. 5/2 Washington street.

REYNOLDS.—In this city, on Sunday, December 27, JAMES G. REYNOLDS, in the 96th year of his age.

His relatives and friends and those by the family are invited to attend the funeral, from the Willett street. Methodist Episcopal church, between frank and Broome streets, this (Wednesday) afternoon, at half-past one o'clock, without further notice.

THOSIS.—The members of Mann Lodge, No. 1984, are nerely summoned to attend an emergent continuing attended to the remains of the street of Crossy and Broome streets, this Wednesday, at twelve o'clock, sharp, for the purpose of paying the last tribute of respect to the remains of brother OLIVER THE members of Orient Chapter of R. A. M. and Traternally invited. By order of Month of the Street, think the Robert of R. A. M. and Traternally invited. By order of Month of the Street, think the Robert of Eduar D. and Month d. Wilson.—At Omaha, New, on Monday, Nevermor 18, Educk, Union 18, No. 20 and Month d. Wilson.

Errors, infant son of Edair D. and Mark C. Wilson. Sourston (N. Y.) and Washington (D. C.) papers .